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METHODS AND DEVICE FOR FREEZING AND THAWING

BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated January 30, 2007, requiring restriction between claims 78 and 89-115 of Group I and claims 116-188 of Group II, Applicants hereby provisionally elect claims 78 and 98-115 of Group I, drawn to a method for changing the temperature of a sample in order to freeze the sample. Election is made without traverse.